

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 OTTAWA 00640 180012Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 PM-04 DODE-00 ACDA-07 CIAE-00
INR-07 NSAE-00 SS-15 SP-02 INRE-00 /048 W
-----180034 085747 /66

O P 172313Z FEB 77
FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2504
INFO AMEMBASSY ANKARA PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY ATHENS PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY BONN PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY LONDON PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY LISBON PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY OSLO PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY PARIS PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK PRIORITY
AMEMBASSY ROME PRIORITY
USMISSION NATO BRUSSELS PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L OTTAWA 0640

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MILI, MASS, MPOL, PO, NATO, CA
SUBJ: PORTUGUESE FORCE MODERNIZATION

REF: STATE 034978

1. CHARGE, ACCOMPANIED BY DATT, CALLED FEBRUARY 17 ON
ASSISTANT DEFENSE MINISTER FOR POLICY PAT BLACK (ACTING
AS DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE IN ABSENCE OF NIXON) AND
MADE REPRESENTATION AS INSTRUCTED REFTEL.

2. BLACK RESPONDED WITH SUMMARY OVERVIEW OF CANADA'S
ON-GOING CONTRIBUTION TO PORTUGUESE FORCE MODERNIZATION.
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 OTTAWA 00640 180012Z

HE CITED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH GOP ON TRAINING
THREE GROUPS OF NCO'S AND JR. OFFICERS EACH YEAR, 15-25
INDIVIDUALS PER GROUP, WHICH BEGAN SEPTEMBER 76. BLACK
INDICATED PROGRAM IS PROGRESSING FAIRLY WELL, THOUGH
LATE IN GETTING STARTED DUE PRIMARILY TO DISORGANIZATION
OF PORTUGUESE FORCES AND THEIR INABILITY TO FILL ALL
AVAILABLE TRAINING SLOTS. HE ALSO NOTED EXCHANGES BE-

TWEEN CHIEFS OF DEFENSE STAFF (CDS) ON CONCEPT OF UNIFIED
MILITARY FORCE, AS RESULT OF INITIATIVE FROM
PORTUGUESE CDS.

3. WITH RESPECT TO EQUIPMENT, BLACK INDICATED GOC HAS LIST
OF PORTUGUESE REQUIREMENTS WHICH IS BEING STAFFED OUT TO
IDENTIFY CANADIAN EQUIPMENT THAT COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE.
BLACK IS NOT OPTIMISTIC ABOUT EQUIPMENT CONTRIBUTION DUE
TO EXISTING LIMITED SUPPLY LEVELS AND CONDITIONS OF
CANADIAN FORCES EQUIPMENT. HOWEVER, HE WELCOMED OUR
REPRESENTATION AND SAID IT WOULD PROVIDE STIMULUS FOR HIS
STAFF TO COMPLETE CURRENT SURVEY AND BE READY TO MAKE
DEFINITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO MARCH MEETING OF MILITARY
ASSISTANCE AD HOC GROUP.
DUEMLING

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: MILITARY ASSISTANCE, MILITARY CAPABILITIES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 17-Feb-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977OTTAWA00640
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770057-0800
Format: TEL
From: OTTAWA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770232/aaaabcaq.tel
Line Count: 77
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 5c9f17c5-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 STATE 34978
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 29-Nov-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3296181
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PORTUGUESE FORCE MODERNIZATION
TAGS: MILI, MASS, MPOL, PO, CA, NATO
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/5c9f17c5-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009